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STATUS OF SETHUSAMUDRAM CANAL PROJECT
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made so far in respect of Sethusamudram Canal project in Tamil Nadu;

(b) whether revised estimate of the project has been made; and

(c) if so, by when the Government is likely to allocate funds for this project?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI SU. THIRUNAVUKKARASAR)

(a) to (c): National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (NEERI), Nagpur has been entrusted the task of conducting techno-economic viability and detailed environment assessment studies to be completed by May, 2003. Estimate of the project cannot be prepared at this stage.